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SUBJECT: NORWEGIAN FOOD AND MEDICAL AID TO ETHIOPIA

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1. THE NORWEGIAN GOVERNMENT DONATED ON APRIL 5, 1974 1 MILLION KRONER (\$182,000 AT \$1.00 - NKR. 5.50) IN AID TO SOUTH ETHIOPIA. THE AID MONEY WILL BE CHANNELED THROUGH THE CHURCHES' RELIEF FUND (CRF) AND IS EARMARKED FOR AIR TRANSPORT.

2. AN OFFICIAL OF THE CRF ADVISES THAT CRF IS CURRENTLY NEGOTIATING WITH NORWEGIAN AND FOREIGN HELICOPTER COMPANIES FOR HELILIFT OPERATIONS IN PARTS OF SOUTH ETHIOPIA WHICH ARE INACCESSIBLE BY SURFACE TRANSPORTATION IN THE RAINY SEASON. HELICOPTERS MAY EVENTUALLY BE FLOWN INTO ETHIOPIA WITH NORWEGIAN AIR FORCE TRANSPORTS.

3. CRF HAS SO FAR USED 5.3 MILLION KRONER (\$964,000) WORTH OF FOOD, MEDICAL AID AND TRANSPORTATION IN ETHIOPIA DURING THE CURRENT DROUGHT PERIOD. THE FOOD--CORN, BARLEY
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AND FAFA, A FOOD CONCENTRATE, HAS BEEN PURCHASED LOCALLY IN

ETHIOPIA. MOST OF THE FUNDS COME FROM PRIVATE CONTRIBUTORS.

4. THE ETHIOPIAN AUTHORITIES HAVE PROMISED TO GIVE THE
CRF 2,000 TONS OF UNSPECIFIED FOODSTUFFS PER MONTH FOR DIS-
TRIBUTION IN ETHIOPIA BY THE CRF. BYRNE

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